

5 I claim:

1. A method of independent process control comprising the steps of:
providing a control program on a network server;
deploying a plurality of parallel instances of the control program to a respective
10 plurality of thin client terminals over a network; and
independently controlling a process from each of the plurality of thin client
terminals, thereby providing multiple terminal server-client operation.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of deploying comprises using an
15 intermediate software layer for creating the plurality of instances of the control program.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein the control program is an automated production
process control program.

20 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of the clients utilize at least one of a
plurality of different operating systems.

5. The method of claim 5 wherein the plurality of different operating systems
comprise Windows, Linus, Unix and Macintosh operating systems.

25 6. The method of claim 1 wherein at least one of the plurality of client terminals is a
flying client having a wireless connection to the network.